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Title:	METHOD AND DEVICE FOR	:
	FASTENING AN AUXILIARY JOINING	:
	ELEMENT TO A SHEET-SHAPED WORK:	:
	PIECE AND WORK PIECE THAT IS	:
	PROVIDED WITH SUCH AN	:
	AUXILIARY JOINING ELEMENT	:

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RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS
UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED
STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
 Washington, D.C. 20231
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Sir:

In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) dated April 1, 2002, applicant is submitting herewith the required *Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.*

Also enclosed herewith is a copy of the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) as requested.

Enclosed is a check for payment of the required surcharge in the amount of \$130.00, and a check in the amount of \$110.00 for the extension of time fee. The Commissioner is hereby

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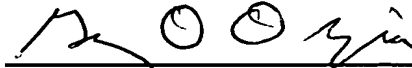
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authorized to charge any additional fees that may be necessary and/or credit any overpayments to our deposit account number 08-2789.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that the enclosed **RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS** and fee are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as Express Mail, postage prepaid, in an envelope as "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee," Mailing Label No. **EV032318665US** and addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D. C. 20231, on **June 28, 2002**.



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